GOOD EARTH state park



January 2022

Self Guided Events

Jan 1—11 First Day Hike Jan 13-25 - Tracks Hike

In Person Programs

Jan 1—2 pm First Day Hike

Jan 5-10 am Little Acorn—Nocturnal Animals

Jan 5 — 1 pm F.I.S.H.— SD State Parks Central

Jan 20 & 21 Mystery Puzzle Room— Registration Required see flyer below

> **Trail Hours** 6:00 am-11:00 pm

Visitor Center Hours:

Monday—Closed Tuesday—Saturday 9 —4 pm Sunday 1 pm— 4 pm

> **Visitor Center Closed** Sat. Jan 1



Photo by Ben Gaster

Happy New Year! Don't let the winter blues get you down. Bundle up and come out for a great burst of outdoor therapy. Join us for the First Day Hike or just enjoy a walk in the winter wonderland of Good Earth State Park!

Volunteer News



Good Earth State Park at Blood Run has some great volunteers! We are so appreciative of the help we have received inside and outside the visitor center.

We don't know how we could ever get by without them!!

Did you know that after just 24 hours of volunteer time each year, volunteers earn a park entrance license?

If you would like to volunteer at Good Earth State Park iust visit

http://gfp.sd.gov/state-parks/volunteer/default.aspx

Jan. Anniversaries

Shelley H—4 years

Jeff L—4 years

Loren S—2 years

Brianna S—2 years

Cater S—2 years

Julie U—2 years

Travis M—1 year

Katherine M−1 year

Craig N—1 year

Sam O-1 year

Don R—1 year



Jan 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
SG = Self Guided						1 SG—1st Day Hike 2 pm First Day
2	3 VC Closed	4	5 10—LA— Creatures of the night 1 pm—FISH— South Dakota	6	7	8 SG—1st Day Hike
9	10	11	12	13	14	15 SG— Tracks Hike
16	17 VC Closed	18	19	20 5:00—7:00 pm Puzzle Room REGISTRATION REQUIRED	21 5:00—7:00 pm Puzzle Room REGISTRATION REQUIRED	22 SG—Tracks Hike
23	24 VC Closed	25	26	27	28	29 SG— Shadows Hike
30	31 VC Closed					

Jan 1—2 pm—First Day Hike—Join us on a one mile hike to kick off the new year.

Jan 5—10 am—Little Acorns—Creatures of the night, learn about nocturnal animals

Jan 5—1 pm—F.I.S.H.—South Dakota State Parks Central

Jan 20—5:00—7:00—Puzzle Room—Teams of 8 can try their hand salving the puzzles of the exhibit.

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

Jan 21—5:00—7:00 pm—Puzzle Room—Teams of can try their hand salving the puzzles of the exhibit.

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

First Day Hike

Join us for a guided First Day Hike Saturday Jan 1, 2022

2:00 pm

Start the year off on the right foot on this one mile nature hike.

> Be sure to dress for the weather with warm layers, hats, gloves and good walking shoes or boots.



If the temperature including windchill is 0 or less the walk will be canceled.

Little Acorns!

Fall/ Winter/ Spring

Ages 3-5

10:00 am



January 5—Nocturnal Animals

February 2—Shadows

March 2—Frogs & Toads





Join us for a story, activity, game and more!

F.I.S.H.

Friendly Interactive Senior Hour

Wednesday Jan 5 1:00 PM South Dakota State Parks Central

Learn about the state parks and recreation areas along the Missouri River.





Mystery Room

Can you solve the mystery of the stolen artifacts?

Someone has taken an artifact from the Good Earth Exhibit, but they didn't get it out of the building.

Follow the clues to find the missing object.

Teams of 10 will have 30 minutes to find the missing piece to win a prize!

* Minimum of 5 and a maximum of 10 per group

Thursday Jan 20 ~ 5 or 6 pm Friday Jan 21 ~ 5 or 6 pm

Teams can register by calling the visitor center at 605-213-1036

Deadline Jan 24, 2022!

Summer Internships at Good Earth State Park

*APPLICANT MUST BE A FULL-TIME STUDENT (MINIMUM OF 12 CREDIT HOURS) IN THE MESTER IN WHICH YOU APPLY.

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Session: Summer (May- August)

Position Title: Intern - Naturalist (Two positions)

Supervisor: James Henning

Agency: Department of Game, Fish and Parks

Location: Sioux Falls

Minimum Salary: \$15.76

Position Description:

Naturalist interns will assist education staff with programming needs at Good Earth State Park and Lake Alvin Recreation Area. The position will serve group and community programs, ranging from preschool to adult classes. Program topics include, but are not limited to South Dakota natural resources, local cultural history and outdoor skills.

Session: Summer (May- August)

Position Title: Intern - Park Management

Supervisor: James Henning

Agency: Department of Game, Fish and Parks Location: Good Earth State Park- Sioux Falls

Minimum Salary: \$17.19

This internship will provide a candidate with essential on the job experience relating to the management of a state park and the operation of a visitor center. The intern will be involved with the daily management of Good Earth State Park and Lake Alvin. With a large number of visitors, a unique cultural history and a wide variety of recreation offerings between the two areas, this position will provide an intern with a well-rounded experience. The intern will also be involved with planning and development that relates to annual park management. The intern will be given the opportunity to develop new skills, lead seasonal employees, and utilize learned coursework/studies that relate to park management. A desire to provide great customer service and strong people skills will serve the candidate well. The intern will serve as a leader in the absence of the park manager.

Seasonal Work at Good Earth State Park

Job ID: 17728 - Good Earth State Park at Blood Run (Summer Seasonal)

Location: Sioux Falls

Minimum Salary:\$11.30 per hour

*Parks/Ground Maintenance Worker:

Apply here! Assists with maintenance of buildings and grounds within the park, including mowing, weed whipping, spraying, watering, and operating equipment such as mowers, chainsaws, tractors, weed sprayers, trucks, small hand tools, and pulling a trailer.



Apply here!







ANNUAL STATE PARK **ENTRANCE LICENSES**



NEW 2022 Licenses are here! Valid until May 21, 2023!!

Annual Park Entrance License	\$36		
Annual Park Entrance License Combo	\$54		
Annual Park Entrance License, Transferable	\$80		
Daily Entrance License	\$8		
Daily Efficience Election			

